

[x] Other: return postcard (x2)

[x] An [x] executed [] unexecuted declaration of the inventor(s)

[x] also is enclosed [] will follow.

[x] Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence --This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and/or 365 to Application No. 2,290,335, filed in Canada, on November 19, 1999; Application No. 2,290,204, filed in Canada on November 22, 1999, and U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/216,357, filed on July 5, 2000; the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference.--

[] A bibliographic data entry sheet is enclosed.

[x] Small entity status is hereby claimed.

[x] The filing fee has been calculated as follows:

| C L A I M S | | | | | |
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| | NO. OF CLAIMS | | EXTRA CLAIMS | RATE | FEE |
| Basic Application Fee | | | | | \$710.00 (101) |
| Total Claims | 70 | MINUS 20 = | 50 | x \$18.00 (103) = | \$900.00 |
| Independent Claims | 6 | MINUS 3 = | 3 | x \$80.00 (102) = | \$240.00 |
| If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$270.00 (104) | | | | | -0- |
| Total Application Fee | | | | | \$1,850.00 |
| If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Application Fee | | | | | \$925.00 |
| Add Assignment Recording Fee \$ if Assignment document is enclosed | | | | | \$40.00 |
| TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE | | | | | \$965.00 |

[] This application is being filed without a filing fee. Issuance of a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application is respectfully requested.

[x] A check in the amount of \$ 965.00 is enclosed for the fee due for filing the application and recording an Assignment.